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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hajime HIRAMATSU et al.) Group Art Unit: 1656
Application No.: 10/522,789)
Filed: January 28, 2005) Examiner: Nashaat T. NASHED
For: THREE-DIMENSIONAL)
STRUCTURE OF DIPEPTIDYL) Confirmation No: 9489
PEPTIDASE IV)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement, mailed February 1, 2007, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 372 between:

- Group I: Claims 1-6, drawn to a crystal of dipeptidyl peptidase IV (DPP IV);
- Group II: Claims 7-13, 16-20, and 22-24, drawn to structure coordinates of DPP IV, and a method of first use;
- Group III: Claims 14 and 15, drawn to a method of determining the structure of homologues proteins to DPP IV using the atomic coordinates (second use); and
- Group IIII: Claim 21, drawn to effector of DPP IV activity.

Applicants elect without traverse Group I, claims 1-6, drawn to a crystal of dipeptidyl peptidase IV (DPP IV).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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